

# BROOME COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

## Upcoming Programs

Programs will be held in the Decker Community Room of the Broome County Public Library, 185 Court St., Binghamton, unless noted below, and offered concurrently on Facebook livestream and over Zoom ([www.broomehistory.org/programs](http://www.broomehistory.org/programs)). For those attending in person in the Decker Community Room, coffee, tea and cookies will be available at 6:15 p.m. All programs will begin at 6:30 and are free and open to the public.

Feb. 18 “Art, Architecture and History in Downtown Binghamton” by William Tomic, retired educator and local historian. This will include the ACA Monument, Security Mutual Building, the Kilmer Building and many others.

March 18 “*Experienced Strippers Wanted* – The History of Cigar Making in Binghamton” by Roger Luther, Broome County Historian

April 15 “The Rise and Fall of the Famous Phoebe Snow Train Line with Photographs by John Young, Railroad Historian and Photographer” by Brian Frey, WSKG Documentarian

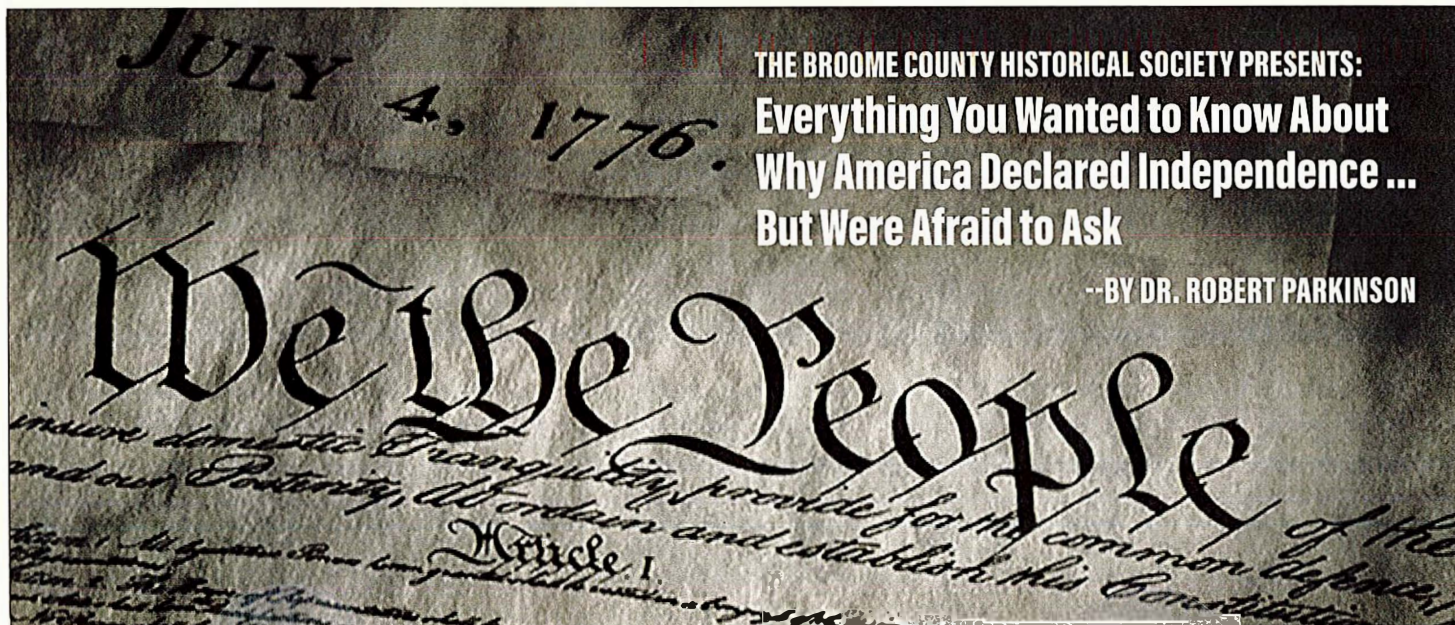
May 20 “The 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Village of Endicott” by Suzanne Meredith, Town of Union Historian, and Jackie Tedesco

June 17 “The MacDonald’s Family Tonic that Rivalled Swamp Root and the Making of Almanacs” by John Rury, MacDonald Family Member

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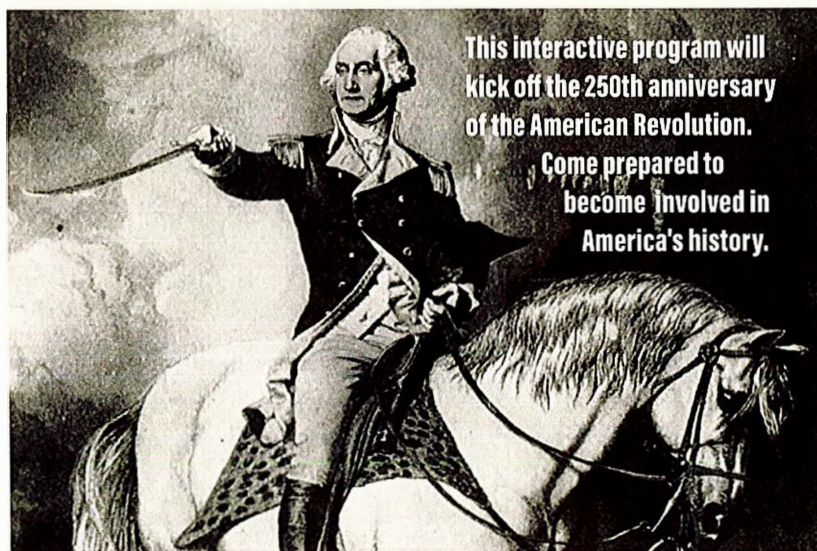
*To Join or Renew Membership in the Broome County Historical Society, fill out, clip and send with your check to: Broome County Historical Society, 185 Court Street, Binghamton, NY 13901*

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THE BROOME COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY PRESENTS:  
**Everything You Wanted to Know About  
Why America Declared Independence ...  
But Were Afraid to Ask**

--BY DR. ROBERT PARKINSON



This interactive program will  
kick off the 250th anniversary  
of the American Revolution.

Come prepared to  
become involved in  
America's history.

**Wednesday, January 21, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.  
with light refreshments at 6:15 p.m.**

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Broome County Public Library, 185 Court Street, Binghamton  
and on Zoom at <https://www.broomehistory.org/programs>  
and on Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/broomehistory>

Dr. Robert Parkinson is professor of history at Binghamton  
University. The author of four books, his latest - *Tyrants and  
Rogues: Understanding the Declaration of Independence* - will  
be published by W.W. Norton Press in June 2026.

The meeting is free and open to the public.  
For more information, contact the Broome County Historical  
Society at (607) 778-2076.